



POSTION DESCRIPTION FOR BOARD MEMBERS

As a **Board of Directors**, the Board is responsible for good governance of the agency. Appointed as representatives of the **public**, the Board presses for realization of opportunities for service and fulfillment of its obligations to all constituencies. The Board meets fiduciary responsibility, guards against the taking of undue risks, determines priorities, and generally directs organizational activity. It delegates administration to its executive officer, but remains involved through oversight and policy making. The board members are ultimately accountable for all agency actions.

As a **judicial body**, the Board serves as a jury. The members must be careful to avoid *ex parte* communications with licensees, attorneys, and staff regarding upcoming proposed decisions from administrative law judges that the Board must review based only on the legal record.

Specific Contributions

1. Articulate agency mission, values, and policies.
2. Review and assure executive officer's performance in faithfully managing implementation of Board policies through achievement of staff goals and objectives.
3. Ensure that staff implementation is prudent, ethical, effective, and timely.
4. Assure that management succession is properly being provided.
5. Punctuate ongoing review of executive officer performance with annual evaluation against written Board policies at a noticed public meeting.
6. Ascertain that management effectively administers appropriate staff policies including a code of ethics and conflict of interest statements.
7. Ensure staff compliance with all laws applicable to the Board.
8. Maximize accountability to the public.

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